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Group Discussion	120	1	1.5

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Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

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Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 or by fax to (202) 395-6974. Written comments should be received within 30 days of this notice.

Proposed Project

Survey of Veterinarians to Assess Infection Control Practices and Use of Personal Protective Equipment to Reduce Transmission of Zoonotic Diseases—New—National Center for Infectious Diseases (NCID), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Recent outbreaks of emerging zoonotic diseases in the United States have highlighted the need to better protect the veterinary community from infectious diseases by educating them about personal protective measures. In particular, during the recent 2003 outbreak of monkeypox in the United States associated with prairie dogs and imported rodents, veterinarians or veterinary staff represented over 25% of confirmed and probable human cases. During the height of this outbreak, health officials were tasked with providing information to the medical and veterinary communities to ensure

safety when examining monkeypox-infected patients; a lack of universally accepted infection control and personal protection guidelines within the veterinary community hampered the delivery of effective prevention messages to this vulnerable population.

The proposed survey asks veterinarians about infection control procedures employed in their clinics and the use of personal protective equipment to prevent zoonotic disease transmission.

The proposed study consists of a self-administered, written questionnaire mailed to veterinary clinics in the United States. The American Veterinary Medical Association has volunteered to collaborate on the survey and will provide a list of clinics through their membership mailing list. The study objectives are to describe current knowledge, attitudes, and practices of veterinarians regarding zoonotic disease risks and protection of veterinary clinic staff, and to determine what types of national guidelines on infection control practices in veterinary settings are needed. The estimated annualized burden is 417 hours.

Respondents	Number of respondents	Number of responses/ respondent	Average burden/response (in hours)
Written Questionnaires	2,500	1	10/60

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Proposed Project

NCHS Application for Vital Statistics Training Form, OMB No. 0920-0217—Extension—National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). In the United States, legal authority for the registration of vital events, *i.e.*, births, deaths, marriages, divorces, fetal deaths, and induced terminations of pregnancy, resides individually with the States (as

well as cities in the case of New York City and Washington, DC) and Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. These governmental entities are the full legal proprietors of vital records and the information contained therein. As a result of this State authority, the collection of registration-based vital statistics at the national level, referred to as the U.S. National Vital Statistics System (NVSS), depends on a cooperative relationship between the States and the Federal government. This data collection, authorized by 42 U.S.C. 242k, has been conducted by NCHS since it was created in 1960.

NCHS assists in achieving the comparability needed for combining data from all States into national statistics, by conducting a training program for State and local vital

statistics staff to assist in developing expertise in all aspects of vital registration and vital statistics. The training offered under this program includes courses for registration staff, statisticians, and coding specialists, all designed to bring about a high degree of uniformity and quality in the data provided by the States. This training program is authorized by 42 U.S.C.

242b, section 304(a). In order to offer the types of training that would be most useful to vital registration staff members, NCHS requests information from State and local vital registration officials about their projected needs for training. NCHS also asks individual candidates for training to submit an application form containing name, address, occupation, work experience,

education, and previous training. These data enable NCHS to determine those individuals whose needs can best be met through the available training resources. There is no cost to respondents in providing these data. The estimated annualized burden is 44 hours.

Respondents	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondents	Average burden per response (in hours)
State, local, and Territory Registration Officials	57	1	20/60
Training applicants	100	1	15/60

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[Program Announcement 04148]

International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease: Improving the Effectiveness of Tuberculosis Prevention and Control Programs in Resource-Limited Countries; Notice of Intent To Fund Single Eligibility Award

A. Purpose

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the intent to fund fiscal year (FY) 2004 funds for a cooperative agreement program to improve the quality, efficiency and effectiveness of tuberculosis (TB) prevention and control programs in resource-limited countries. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number for this program is 93.116.

B. Eligible Applicant

Assistance will be provided only to the International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease (IUATLD). No other applications will be solicited or accepted.

The IUATLD is the only qualified international non-governmental organization (NGO) that has the technical and administrative capacity to conduct the specific set of activities requested to support CDC TB prevention

and control activities outlined under this cooperative agreement because:

1. As the leading NGO combating TB globally, the IUATLD is uniquely positioned, in terms of legal authority, ability, track record, infrastructure, and credibility throughout the world to provide the critically needed support and technical expertise to MOH, as well as National TB Control Programs (NTPs) and locally based TB associations, to improve control and treatment of TB in their respective countries.

2. The IUATLD is the only international NGO with the required networks, connections, and working experience with MOH, NTPs and community based organizations in high TB burden countries that can compliment and support CDC's activities in these settings, including the provision of technical assistance to plan, design, implement, and evaluate TB program activities at the country level.

3. The IUATLD has a demonstrated track record and worldwide reputation in the planning, implementation and evaluation of specialized programs to develop and train networks of international and in-country technical experts, program managers, consultants, health-care providers and decision makers who can provide assistance to NTPs in high burden countries.

4. The IUATLD has an established framework and mechanisms to plan, develop and implement specialized training activities to support TB diagnosis, treatment and control activities in numerous countries, enabling it to immediately become engaged in the activities listed in this announcement.

5. Resulting from its history of collaboration and technical assistance, the IUATLD has an unprecedented level of access to all MOHs, NTPs, and related programs in high burden countries.

6. In collaboration with other international organizations (including CDC, the U.S. Agency for International Development, and the WHO), the IUATLD works to accomplish its mission by disseminating information related to TB program needs and services; recommending and advocating improved policies and programs; and providing consultation and guidance at the international, national, and local levels to prevent and control TB.

7. The IUATLD is uniquely qualified to conduct activities that have specific relevance to the TB response mission and objectives of CDC, and are considered essential by the Division of Tuberculosis Elimination (DTBE), to support its medium and long-term mission targets.

C. Funding

Approximately \$170,000 is available in FY 2004 to fund this award. It is expected that the award will begin on or before September 1, 2004, and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of up to five years. Funding estimates may change.

D. Where to Obtain Additional Information

For general comments or questions about this announcement, contact: Technical Information Management, CDC Procurement and Grants Office, 2920 Brandywine Road, Atlanta, GA 30341-4146, Telephone: 770-488-2700.

For program technical assistance, contact: Michael Qualls, Project Officer, Division of Tuberculosis Elimination, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 1600 Clifton Road, Mailstop E-10, Atlanta, GA 30333, Telephone: 404-639-8488, E-mail: MQualls@cdc.gov.

For financial, grants management, or budget assistance, contact: Steward